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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS FOR
A SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH DATAWORKS PLUS FOR
SOFTWARE, HARDWARE, AND ENGINEERING SERVICES**

SUBJECT

This letter provides advance notification to your Board that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) intends to enter into negotiations for a sole source agreement (Agreement) with DataWorks Plus (DataWorks) without engaging in a competitive solicitation process.

This proposed Agreement with DataWorks will allow for the purchase of new, updated, or modified software and/or hardware, and the provision of engineering services, including the development of new interfaces, related to the Digital Imaging System (System) previously purchased from DataWorks, if deemed necessary by the Los Angeles County Regional Identification System (LACRIS). LACRIS manages the County-wide network of criminal livescan fingerprint devices, the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS), and other systems, which interface with the Dataworks System. The System captures, stores, archives, and retrieves mug shot photographs of all subjects criminally booked within Los Angeles County (County). The System also captures photographs of scars, marks, and tattoos. It also has state of the art software that provides facial and tattoo recognition.

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BACKGROUND

The Department, through the Los Angeles County Internal Services Department (ISD), purchased the DataWorks System in 2008 to obtain a newer, more advanced digital imaging (mug shot) system for LACRIS. Anticipated changes and modifications to other currently interfaced systems, such as Cal-Photo or mobile (field) identification equipment, would have an impact on the System. These changes require ongoing development and alterations to the System.

On March 25, 2010, the Remote Access Board (RAN) gave approval to proceed with the sole source and allocated the funding for the Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The projected cost of the proposed Agreement with DataWorks is \$500,000 and will be funded by the AFIS Fund. There is no net County cost.

SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION

In 2008, through competitive bid, the System was purchased from DataWorks at a cost of more than \$2 million. Changes and modifications to the System have an impact on the livescan network, which is interfaced with the Automated Jail Information System (AJIS), the Department's Custody Division Inmate Management System, local agency record management systems, and the California Department of Justice's AFIS. System development, resulting in any change or modification to the interfaced systems, further impacts the configuration of the System. Any changes to any of these systems require ongoing development and alteration. Criminal identification requirements further influence the evolution of the System with new functions and processes. This proposed Agreement is necessary to keep the System current and functioning adequately.

The System is proprietary to DataWorks. Therefore, new software, hardware, and engineering services over the life of the current System can only be provided by DataWorks. Using DataWorks will be more efficient and most importantly, keep the integrity of the Department's current database by protecting all information within the System.

The Chief Information Office has reviewed and concurs with this sole source approach.

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Pursuant to Board policy, the Department will engage in sole source negotiations with DataWorks in two weeks, unless otherwise instructed by your Board. Should additional information be requested, your staff may contact Mona Whittouck, Contract Manager, at (323) 526-5542.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leroy D. Baca". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

LEROY D. BACA
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